



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## FATAL PEDESTRIAN COLLISION 1300 BLOCK OF SOUTH KOLB ROAD

The Tucson Police Department is investigating a pedestrian collision that resulted in the death of a 5-year-old boy.

On February 11, 2015, at 8:39 P.M., officers from Operations Division East located a traffic collision on South Kolb Road just south of East  $22^{nd}$  Street. The officers learned that the collision involved a pedestrian who was a young boy. Officers immediately began rendering aid to the child. Tucson Fire Department responded to assist, but the child was pronounced deceased on scene.

Traffic Detectives from the Tucson Police Department responded to continue the investigation. They were able to determine that a family of four had just left the grocery store at East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and South Kolb Road. The family was attempting to walk home to an apartment complex across Kolb Road. The father was carrying groceries and crossed the road without using a crosswalk. The mother and their two small children followed shortly after. As they began to cross in the same location as the father, one of the children (5-year-old) broke free from his mother's hand and ran across Kolb Road to catch up with his father. The child ran across the southbound lanes of traffic, over the median and into the northbound lanes, where he was struck by a vehicle. The driver of the vehicle was an adult male who stayed at the scene and cooperated with investigators. No citations were issued.

The 5-year-old child has been identified as Alaa Mahmad. Next of kin have been notified.

## Fatalities year-to-date:

For 2014 - 5
Pedestrian 3
Picycle
Motorcycle
For 2015 - 6
Pedestrian 2
Pedestrian 2
Bicycle
Motorcycle

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